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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA INTERESTED IN SECURITY RESOLUTION FOR OASGA

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1. Poloffs discussed reftel points and proposed resolution with Marco Tulio Chicas, Director for Integration at the Foreign Ministry, on May 20. Chicas said Guatemala shared the goals outlined in the resolution and said he would immediately consult with Guatemala's mission to the OAS, which he said is in the best position to discuss the details. Chicas also pledged to raise our points with his counterparts at a Central American Integration System (SICA) meeting in El Salvador on May 21.

2. MFA Director General for Multilateral Affairs Carla Rodriguez told Acting PolCouns on May 24 that she had shared our points with Francisco Villagran, Guatemala's Ambassador to the OAS, who plans to raise them with other Central American missions to the OAS. Rodriguez said Villagran expressed some uncertainty about how security issues would be handled at the OASGA, and even whether there would be a general resolution on security this year.

3. We suggest the Department continue to coordinate this initiative with Guatemala's mission to the OAS.
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